

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 10761.0243  
Customer No. 81,331

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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William Ng	)	Group Art Unit: 3627
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Application No.: 09/470,041	)	Examiner: Michael A. Cuff
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Filed: December 22, 1999	)	Confirmation No.: 5695
	)	
For: INITIATION OF BIDDING IN A	)	
VIRTUAL TRADE FINANCIAL	)	
ENVIRONMENT	)	

Mailstop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2008, the period for response to which extends to March 24, 2009, Applicant submits the enclosed remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.